

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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NATIONAL TAX INFORMATION NETWORK
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Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to set up a national tax information network;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the objectives behind setting up the above network; and
- (d) the benefits likely to be derived by the Government thereby?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE & COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (d): A proposal for setting up National Information Network has been given in the consultation paper issued by the Task Force chaired by Dr. Vijay Kelkar. The Task Force has recommended setting up of Tax Information Network to allow ease of access to tax administration and the taxpayer. This will receive online information about collection of taxes from banks as also on TDS returns and information returns on behalf of Income Tax Department for digitization. The Tax payers would be given a limited facility of accessing their information relating to tax payments, refunds, etc.